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EXAMINATIONS AND OFFICE PROCEDURES

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
						Examinations				
1041	20	15	1000	2000	5050	examination / consultation	47.72	50.80	each	6.5%
568	10	5	1001	2001	5050	recheck / re-evaluation	33.84	36.10	each	6.7%
70	30		1005	2005	5050	examination / consultation (after hours)	94.07	100.20	each	6.5%
6	30	10	1006	2006	5050	examination / consultation (extended)	66.99	71.40	each	6.6%
	30		1011	2011	5050	behavioral consultation	78.98	84.10	half hour	6.5%
			1015	2015	5050	house call (does not include exam)	63.58	67.70	fee	6.5%
			1016	2016	5050	house call (mileage)	2.20	2.30	km	4.5%
	60		1017	2017	5050	kennel or cattery call - professional time	173.89	185.30	hour	6.6%
						Consultations				
			1010	2010	5050	precription writing fee	12.00	13.10	fee	9.2%
	10		1012	2012	5050	consult with other professional / specialist	23.22	24.70	each	6.4%
	10		1013	2013	5050	consultation - telephone (client)	23.22	24.70	each	6.4%
	15		1019	2019	5050	copy files or write referral letter	39.22	41.80	fee	6.6%
			1070	2070	5050	expert witness in court	266.90	284.40	hour	6.6%
						Exam Room Procedures				
						Brushing, shaving, cleaning - See Hospital Unit on Page 18				
166	5	5	1703	2703	5050	anal glands expressed	22.72	24.80	each	9.2%
			1051	2051	5400	sample collection (blood or urine collection)	15.00	17.40	each	16.0%
			1715	2715	5400	blood pressure (during examination)	40.63	44.30	each	9.0%
			1737	2737	5050	ear clean (during examination)	16.99	18.50	each	8.9%
400	5	5	1756	2756	5050	pedicure	16.99	18.50	each	8.9%
		10	1735	2735	5050	microchip implanting fee (includes implant)	37.37	40.70	each	8.9%
2008	3	5	1732	2732	5050	dispensing fee (per prescription)	12.00	13.10	each	9.2%
178	2	2	1780	2780	5050	injection-outpatient	20.38	22.20	each	8.9%
						Ophthalmic Procedures				
	2	2	1052	2052	5400	fluorescein eye stain (per patient)	17.83	19.00	each	6.6%
	5	2	1056	2056	5400	Schirmer tear test (per patient)	17.83	19.00	each	6.6%
	5	5	1057	2057	5400	tonometry - Schiotz (per patient)	38.69	41.20	each	6.5%
			1058	2058	5400	tonometry - tonopen (per patient)	52.95	56.40	each	6.5%
1	1	2	1371	2371	5400	anaesthetic - topical ophthalmic	12.66	14.40	each	13.7%

DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

All fees for RADIOGRAPHS include a professional interpretation fee.

Radiographs

Fees for Radiographs should include: radiograph - set up fee (code 1100 - 2100)
plus fee for each plate / film (code 1101 - 1102, 2101 - 2102).
Fees for plates vary only according to the number of views (not by size).

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
434	10	17	1100	2100	5380	radiograph - set-up	66.64	76.50	each	14.8%
232	5	5	1101	2101	5380	radiograph (each plate)	40.55	46.50	each	14.7%
241	10	10	1102	2102	5380	radiograph - split /2 views	71.61	82.20	each	14.8%
		10	1111	2111	5380	barium swallow	46.51	53.40	+ x-ray	14.8%
		10	1112	2112	5380	barium enema	60.59	69.60	+ x-ray	14.9%
	10		1113	2113	5400	cystogram - positive contrast	86.06	98.80	+ x-ray	14.8%
	5		1114	2114	5400	intravenous pyelogram	117.93	135.40	+ x-ray	14.8%
	30		1115	2115	5380	myelogram	498.29	572.00	+ x-ray	14.8%
	5		1116	2116	5400	pneumocystogram	76.85	88.20	+ x-ray	14.8%
	5		1117	2117	5400	urethrogram	101.05	116.00	+ x-ray	14.8%
	30		1119		5380	OFA evaluation / certification package	310.37	356.30	fee	14.8%

Note: Evaluation / certification fee includes sedation, radiograph, half-day hospitalization, correspondence fee, printing / postage fee and certification charges.

	20		1120	2120	5380	radiology referral	153.06	175.70	each	14.8%

Note: radiology referral includes referal letter, telephone consultation

Electrocardiography

9	10	10	1130	2130	5300	ECG Cardiopet (does not include Cardiopet fees)	116.49	133.70	+ Cardiope	14.8%
7	20	10	1133	2133	5300	ECG (in house)	146.65	168.30	each	14.8%

Fibre Optic Techniques

2	10	10	1140	2140	5400	endoscopy	70.44	80.90	10 minutes	14.9%
	30		1141	2141	5400	proctoscopy (includes biopsy / does not include histology)	138.25	158.70	each	14.8%

Ultrasound

Note: Ultrasound is generally done either by hospital personnel with hospital equipment, or by an ultrasound consultant. The fees for codes ~152-~155 are for the ultrasounds by hospital personnel with hospital equipment. The fee is for the ultrasound procedure only (anaesthesia, sedation, and hospitalization extra).

	30		1152	2152	5380	ultrasound - cardiac with Doppler	527.73	605.80	each	14.8%
	20		1153	2153	5380	ultrasound - abdomen	376.92	432.70	each	14.8%
	10		1154	2154	5380	ultrasound - bladder	142.41	163.50	each	14.8%
			1157	2157	5380	ultrasound - guided biopsy-materials and histology extra	113.24	130.00	each	14.8%
2	10		1155	2155	5380	ultrasound - pregnancy	182.86	209.90	each	14.8%

Note: "Ultrasound-consultant" fees should include consultant's fees, plus appropriate hospital charges (anaesthesia, sedation, technician, hospitalization).

IN HOUSE LABORATORY

These fees do not include sample collection fee (code 1051 - 2051) unless noted.
* Includes Sample Collection

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account			OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
723	2	5	1051	2051	5400		sample collection (blood or urine collection) does not include catheterization or cystocentesis	15.00	17.40	each	16.0%
							Hematology				
30		10	1201	2201	5301		blood smear / differential	28.98	33.50	each	15.6%
150		15	1202	2202	5301		complete blood count (includes differential)	55.56	64.30	each	15.7%
			1203	2203	5301		haemoglobin	15.30	17.70	each	15.7%
33		5	1204	2204	5301		PCV	17.75	20.50	each	15.5%
57		5	1205	2205	5301		PCV + total protein	19.13	22.10	each	15.5%
		5	1206	2206	5301		white blood cell count	19.13	22.10	each	15.5%
	10	5	1220	2220	5301		**Cytology**	43.47	50.30	each	15.7%
							Sample Collection - Cytology Fee in Addition				
	10	10	1702	2702	5400		abdominocentesis	35.28	38.50	each	9.1%
	10	10	1705	2705	5400		arthrocentesis (joint tap) - add pack fee (Code 1592)	80.27	92.80	10 minutes	15.6%
0	20	10	1721	2721	5400		cerebrospinal fluid tap	87.98	95.90	each	9.0%
			1727	2727	5400		cystocentesis	25.00	27.30	each	9.2%
31	5	5	1738	2738	5400		fine needle aspirate (does not include lab)	34.17	37.30	each	9.2%
		5	1234	2234	5301		impression smear	27.11	31.40	each	15.8%
	10	10	1772	2772	5400		thoracic fluid drainage	44.39	48.40	each	9.0%
	10	10	1774	2774	5400		transtracheal wash	62.55	68.20	each	9.0%
							Sample Collection and Evaluation (includes cytology)				
38		5	1240	2240	5301	*	ear swab	28.98	33.50	each	15.6%
		5	1241	2241	5301	*	faecal smear	21.41	24.80	each	15.8%
	15		1243	2243	5301	*	semen collection and evaluation	96.71	111.90	each	15.7%
12	5		1244	2244	5301	*	vaginal swab	28.98	33.50	each	15.6%
							Bacteriology				
1		15	1209	2209	5301	*	culture and sensitivity	69.77	80.70	each	15.7%
		10	1210	2210	5301	*	Gram stain	30.94	35.80	each	15.7%
							Parasitology				
8		5	1250	2250	5301	*	dermatophyte assay	28.33	32.80	each	15.8%
631		6	1251	2251	5301	*	faecal floatation	28.30	32.70	each	15.5%
676		10	1252		5301	*	heartworm test	39.12	45.30	each	15.8%
		10	1255	2255	5301	*	giardia antigen test	57.07	66.00	each	15.7%
34		7.5	1253	2253	5301	*	skin smear / scraping	28.98	33.50	each	15.6%
		10	1254	2254	5301	*	Wood's lamp	14.25	16.50	each	15.8%
							Urinalysis (add cystocentesis if applicable)				
146	5	10	1260	2260	5301		urinalysis, complete	49.95	57.80	each	15.7%
60	2	2	1261	2261	5301		urine test strip (includes specific gravity)	24.59	28.40	each	15.5%
							Virology				
18	2	10		2272	5301		FIV / FeLV ELISA test	81.57	94.40	each	15.7%
							Serology				

Fee for in hospital chemistries should equal the fee charged if sent to an outside lab.

0		5	1280	2280	5301		blood: individual stick tests	11.97	13.80	each	15.3%

LABORATORY REFERRAL

For Laboratory Referral work done outside the clinic, include collection fees, the the laboratory fee, and add 100% for professional interpretation.

VACCINATIONS

Canine Vaccinations (with exam)

Vaccination selection is up to the discretion of the veterinarian.
Selection of antigens should be dependent on the risk of exposure.

Vaccination fees include a complete physical examination (unless noted) and the vaccinations that the veterinarian feels are most appropriate for each patient.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine		OLD FEE	NEW FEE	Change
1262	15	15	1000	Annual Examination	47.72	50.80	6.5%
139	10	10	1001	Recheck / re-evaluation	33.84	36.10	6.7%
1893	5	5	1302	Vaccination - distemper combination (with or without rabies)	25.00	27.00	8.0%
				Additional vaccines			
			1301	Bordetella / intra nasal	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			1304	Lyme vaccine	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			1305	Corona Virus	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			1306	Leptospirosis	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			1307	Giardia	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			1312	Rabies	25.00	27.00	8.0%

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Each hospital may show vaccination fees individually or as a one line entry.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE	Change

VACCINATIONS

Feline Vaccinations (with exam)

Vaccination selection is up to the discretion of the veterinarian.
Selection of antigens should be dependent on the risk of exposure.

Vaccination fees include a complete physical examination (unless noted) and the vaccinations that the veterinarian feels are most appropriate for each patient.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE	Change
899	15	15	2000		Examination	47.72	50.80	6.5%
93	10	10	2001		Recheck / re-evaluation	33.84	36.10	6.7%
1348	5	5	2302		Vaccination - distemper combination and/or rabies	25.00	27.00	8.0%
					Additional vaccines			
			2307		Feline Leukemia (FeLV)	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			2308		F.I. P. Vaccine	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			2309		F.I.V. Vaccine	25.00	27.00	8.0%
			2312		Rabies	25.00	27.00	8.0%

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ANAESTHESIA AND SEDATION

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
						Induction				
272	10	10	1350	2350	5750	anaesthetic induction fee	88.92	101.10	each	13.7%
						Note: Anaesthetic induction fee includes: - preanaesthetic exam (TPR) - patient premedication - induction agent - induction of sufficient plane of anaesthesia to allow intubation and maintenance				
						Anaesthetic Maintenance				
						Note: Anaesthetic maintenance includes: - anaesthetic monitoring per 10 minutes - plus anaesthetic per 10 minutes or per ml.				
43		10	1357	2357	5750	anaesthetic maintenance (includes monitoring and agent)	22.30	25.40	10 minutes	13.9%
			1358	2358	5750	Propofol (add monitoring)	1.28	1.50	per ml.	17.2%
		10	1355	2355	5750	anaesthetic monitoring	13.27	15.10	10 minutes	13.8%
						Anaesthetic				
18	5	5	1370	2370	5750	anaesthetic - local	29.91	34.00	each	13.7%
	1	2	1371	2371	5750	anaesthetic - topical ophthalmic	12.66	14.40	each	13.7%
	10		1373	2373	5750	epidural	55.78	63.40	each	13.7%
108	2	3	1374	2374	5750	sedation - intramuscular	40.62	46.20	each	13.7%
28	5	5	1375	2375	5750	sedation - intravenous	52.41	59.60	each	13.7%
	10	10	1372	2372	5750	sedation and reversal	89.39	101.70	each	13.8%
						Sedations in these categories are not to the level that would permit intubation.				
						IV Fluids During Anaesthetic				
						Fluid therapy (without daily maintenance fee) for use during surgical procedures.				
			1380	2380	5750	Base Fee - includes I.V. catheterization (cephalic) drip set bag of fluids	46.11	53.80	base fee	16.7%

ELECTIVE SURGERY

Fees for orchidectomies, ovariohysterectomies and declaw procedures include surgeon and technician time, operating room charge, surgical pack, surgical materials, anaesthesia and hospitalization, and apply to young animals only (under 1 yr. of age).
Note: For retained testicles or mature spay, add fee appropriate to extra time necessary.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
						Canine Orchidectomies / Ovariohysterectomies				
22	20	40	1400		5503	orchidectomy (small < 10 kg)	200.63	216.40	each	7.9%
25	25	50	1401		5503	orchidectomy (medium 10-20 kg)	208.82	225.20	each	7.8%
25	30	60	1402		5503	orchidectomy (large > 20 kg)	228.07	246.00	each	7.9%
0	25	50	1403		5503	orchidectomy / inguinal cryptorchid	280.81	302.90	each	7.9%
	50	70	1404		5503	orchidectomy / intra-abdominal cryptorchid	338.26	364.90	each	7.9%
26	30	50	1405		5502	ovariohysterectomy (small < 10 kg)	232.54	250.80	each	7.9%
33	35	50	1406		5502	ovariohysterectomy (medium 10-20 kg)	240.00	258.90	each	7.9%
20	37.5	57.5	1407		5502	ovariohysterectomy (large 21-40 kg)	281.56	303.70	each	7.9%
	40	60	1408		5502	ovariohysterectomy (x-large > 40 kg)	321.65	346.90	each	7.9%
	10	20	1409		5501	dew claw removal - mature dog	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
						The following are in addition to the above				
4	10	10	1415		5502	in heat	53.15	57.30	add	7.8%
	15	15	1416		5502	obese	53.15	57.30	add	7.8%
	15	15	1417		5502	pregnant	53.15	57.30	add	7.8%
2	15	15	1419		5501	hernia - umbilical	96.22	103.80	each	7.9%
						Neonatal Surgery				
	5	10	1420		5501	dew claws (puppy)	32.16	34.70	each	7.9%
12	5	10	1421		5501	tail dock (puppy)	35.63	38.40	each	7.8%
	2	2	1422		5501	tail dock (puppy) (additional)	18.85	20.30	each	7.7%
16	15	20	1423		5501	tail dock and dew claw removal	50.18	54.10	each	7.8%
	5	5	1424		5501	tail dock and dew claw removal (additional litter mates)	34.88	37.60	each	7.8%
						Feline Orchidectomies / Ovariohysterectomies / Declaws				
70	5	15		2400	5503	orchidectomy	160.00	172.60	each	7.9%
0	20	40		2403	5503	orchidectomy / inguinal cryptorchid	218.15	235.30	each	7.9%
	30	50		2404	5503	orchidectomy / intra-abdominal cryptorchid	249.90	269.50	each	7.8%
65	25	45		2405	5502	ovariohysterectomy	184.43	198.90	each	7.8%
	30	50		2406	5502	mature ovariohysterectomy	236.42	255.00	each	7.9%
37	40	60		2409	5503	orchidectomy / declaw	276.93	298.70	each	7.9%
16	40	60		2410	5502	ovariohysterectomy / declaw	331.65	357.70	each	7.9%
38	45	65		2411	5502	mature ovariohysterectomy / declaw	386.29	416.70	each	7.9%
						The following are in addition to the above				
	5	5		2415	5502	in heat	38.27	41.30	add	7.9%
	10	10		2416	5502	obese	38.27	41.30	add	7.9%
	10	10		2417	5502	pregnant	38.27	41.30	add	7.9%
2	15	15		2419	5501	hernia - umbilical	96.22	103.80	each	7.9%
	10	10		2418	5502	mature	38.27	41.30	add	7.9%
16	15	15		2421	5500	declaw immature front paws	185.66	200.30	each	7.9%
	20	20		2422	5500	declaw over 1 year old front paws	218.90	236.10	each	7.9%
	20	20		2423	5500	declaw front and hind paws	291.23	314.10	each	7.9%
						IV Fluids During Anaesthetic				

Fluid therapy (without daily maintenance fee) for use during surgical procedures.

			1380	2380	5750	Base Fee - includes I.V. catheterization (cephalic) , drip set and bag of fluids	46.11	53.80	base fee	16.7%

THERIOGENOLOGY

Theriogenology care should be billed by time to include the following items that are appropriate:

Hospitalization
Surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Hospital procedure time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical packs and gowns
Medications
Medication administration fees
Suture materials
Anaesthetics

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
		10	1800	2800	5400	hospital unit per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
			1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	15	15	1706	2706	5400	artificial insemination - first (includes semen collection)	120.79	131.70	each	9.0%
	15	15	1707	2707	5400	artificial insemination - additional	120.79	131.70	each	9.0%
	15	15	1243	2243	5301	semen collection and evaluation	84.86	98.20	each	15.7%
3	10	10	1425	2425	5501	Caesarean section	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1427	2427	5501	prolapsed vagina	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
28	10	10	1428	2428	5501	pyometra	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1429	2429	5501	whelping or queening assistance	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
69		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Procedure fee or surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
Surgical hardware
X - rays
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
2	10	10	1466	2466	5501	orthopaedic surgical fee per 10 minutes	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	24	24	1430	2430	5501	amputation, digit	167.00	185.40	each	11.0%
	66	66	1431	2431	5501	amputation, foreleg	465.07	516.40	each	11.0%
	66	66	1432	2432	5501	amputation, hindleg	465.07	516.40	each	11.0%
	25	25	1433	2433	5501	amputation, tail	178.93	198.70	each	11.0%
	10	10	1434	2434	5501	bone grafting	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	29	29	1436	2436	5501	coxofemoral luxation - closed reduction	202.07	224.40	each	11.0%
6	56	56	1437	2437	5501	cruciate ligament repair (extra articular) - small	395.00	438.60	each	11.0%
	72	72	1439	2439	5501	cruciate ligament repair (intra articular) - small	508.86	565.00	each	11.0%
	10	10	1440		5501	cruciate ligament repair (intra articular) - large	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1443	2443	5501	elbow joint exploratory	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	28	28	1444	2444	5501	elbow luxation - closed reduction	197.86	219.70	each	11.0%
2	60	60	1445	2445	5501	excision arthroplasty	421.57	468.10	each	11.0%
2	15	15	1446	2446	5501	external fixation-cast	102.50	113.80	each	11.0%
	9	9	1447	2247	5501	external fixation-M. Metasplint (small)	61.50	68.30	each	11.1%
0	11	11	1448		5501	external fixation-M. Metasplint (medium)	78.21	86.80	each	11.0%
1	14	14	1449		5501	external fixation-M. Metasplint (large)	97.43	108.20	each	11.1%
	8	8	1450	2450	5501	external fixation-R.J. Splint (small)	58.93	65.40	each	11.0%
0	12	12	1451		5501	external fixation-R.J. Splint (medium)	86.86	96.40	each	11.0%
0	13	13	1452		5501	external fixation-R.J. Splint (large)	94.21	104.60	each	11.0%
	13	13	1453	2453	5501	external fixation-Thomas Splint (small)	94.07	104.50	each	11.1%
0	15	15	1454		5501	external fixation-Thomas Splint (medium)	108.57	120.60	each	11.1%
0	19	19	1455	2455	5501	external fixation-Thomas Splint (large)	133.00	147.70	each	11.1%

ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY (continued)

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Procedure fee or surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
Surgical hardware
X - rays
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
1	20	20	1456	2456	5501	fracture - closed reduction	142.43	158.20	each	11.1%
4	10	10	1457	2457	5501	fracture repair (open)	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
3	62	62	1458	2458	5501	intramedullary pinning	439.50	488.00	each	11.0%
	11	11	1460	2460	5501	I.M. pin removal	77.86	86.50	each	11.1%
	10	10	1461	2461	5501	joint exploratory - other	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
0	55	55	1462	2462	5501	Kirschner apparatus application	387.64	430.40	each	11.0%
2	10	10	1463	2463	5501	luxation reduction	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
0	10	10	1464	2464	5501	luxation reduction (open)	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
1	10	10	1465	2465	5501	mandibular symphysis wiring	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	53	53	1467	2467	5501	patella stabilization (tie down)	373.93	415.20	each	11.0%
	10	10	1468	2468	5501	shoulder joint exploratory	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1469	2469	5501	shoulder joint OCD curettage	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	19	19	1470	2470	5501	temporomandibular luxation - closed reduction	134.00	148.80	each	11.0%
	65	65	1471	2471	5501	tibial crest transplant / patella stabilization	460.21	511.00	each	11.0%
	10	10	1472	2472	5501	ununited anconeal process fixation	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1473	2473	5501	ununited anconeal process removal	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

OPHTHALMIC SURGERY

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Procedure fee or surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
54	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	10	10	1480	2480	5501	conjunctival flap (complete)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
1	10	10	1481	2481	5501	conjunctival flap (partial)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	13	13	1482	2482	5501	debride corneal ulcer	77.79	86.40	each	11.1%
	10	10	1483	2483	5501	electroepulation - distichiasis	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	28	28	1484	2484	5501	entropion correction - lower (1 eye)	172.57	191.60	each	11.0%
2	34	34	1485	2485	5501	entropion correction - upper and lower (1 eye)	208.29	231.30	each	11.0%
1	60	60	1486	2486	5501	eye enucleation	370.71	411.60	each	11.0%
3	8	8	1487	2487	5501	nasolacrimal duct flush	46.71	51.90	each	11.1%
	10	10	1488	2488	5501	palpebral tumor / cyst (wedge resection)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1489	2489	5501	parotid duct transplant	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
3	25	25	1491	2491	5501	prolapsed 3rd eyelid gland (reduction and suture)	152.36	169.20	each	11.1%
	10	10	1492	2492	5501	proptosed globe (reduction)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1493	2493	5501	superficial keratectomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
2	10	10	1494	2494	5501	corneal laceration - suture	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	28	28	1495	2495	5501	tarsorrhaphy	176.14	195.60	each	11.0%
	17	17	1496	2496	5501	third eyelid flap	105.64	117.30	each	11.0%
		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

OTOLARYNGOLOGICAL SURGERY

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Procedure fee or surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
8	10	10	1510	2510	5501	aural haematoma (drain / opening / suture)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
1	10	10	1511	2511	5501	bulla osteotomy (ventral)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1512	2512	5501	bulla osteotomy (lateral)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1515	2515	5501	ear canal ablation	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	45	45	1517	2517	5501	lateral ear resection (unilateral)	276.00	306.50	each	11.1%
1	82	82	1518	2518	5501	lateral ear resection (bilateral)	505.71	561.50	each	11.0%
	28	28	1519	2519	5501	everted laryngeal saccule resection	170.64	189.50	each	11.1%
	10	10	1520	2520	5501	nasopharyngeal polyp resection	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
0	31	31	1521	2521	5501	stenotic nares correction	190.00	211.00	both	11.1%
	45	45	1522	2522	5501	soft palate resection	279.93	310.80	each	11.0%
	30	30	1523	2523	5501	tonsillectomy	186.14	206.70	each	11.0%
		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
X - rays
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
2	10	10	1530	2530	5501	anal sacculectomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1531	2531	5501	cholecystotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
2	10	10	1532	2532	5501	enterotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1533	2533	5501	esophageal surgery	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1534	2534	5501	gastrotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1535	2535	5501	gastric torsion- gastrotomy / tie down	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1536	2536	5501	intestinal anastomosis	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1537	2537	5501	laparotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1538		5501	perianal fistual repair	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1539	2539	5501	pyloromyotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1540	2540	5501	recto-colonic pull through	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1541	2541	5501	total colonectomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

GENERAL SURGERY

Surgery should be billed by procedure or time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Surgical packs and gowns
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Procedure fee or surgical time calculated in 10 minute units
Surgical assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
X - rays
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
432	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
		10	1589	2589	5501	surgical assistant per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	25	25	1552	2552	5501	biopsy - kidney (percutaneous)	156.50	173.80	each	11.1%
	27	27	1553	2553	5501	biopsy - liver (percutaneous)	166.71	185.10	each	11.0%
	10	10	1554	2554	5501	biopsy - lymph node	61.00	67.70	each	11.0%
0	10	10	1555	2555	5501	biopsy - skin	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
12	10	10	1558	2558	5501	biopsy - mass	61.00	67.70	each	11.0%
3	51	51	1560	2560	5501	cystotomy	316.86	351.80	each	11.0%
5	10	10	1537	2537	5501	exploratory laparotomy	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	10	10	1567	2567	5501	hernia - diaphragmatic	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	35	35	1568	2568	5501	hernia - inguinal unilateral	215.50	239.30	each	11.0%
	10	10	1569	2569	5501	hernia - perineal	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
	80	80	1570	2570	5501	hernia - inguinal bilateral	498.64	553.70	each	11.0%
11	10	10	1571	2571	5501	suture incision / laceration	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
10	20	20	1572	2572	5501	laceration (major)	122.71	136.30	each	11.1%
17	10	10	1573	2573	5501	laceration (minor)	62.07	68.90	each	11.0%
	67	67	1574	2574	5501	nephrectomy	416.50	462.50	each	11.0%
1	53	53		2576	5501	urethrostomy - perineal	330.79	367.30	each	11.0%
0	53	53	1576		5501	urethrotomy - prepubic	330.79	367.30	each	11.0%
1	61	61	1579	2579	5501	splenectomy	379.21	421.10	each	11.0%
		10	1592	2592	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%
		10	1594	2594	5501	surgical pack fee - standard - 2 gown	55.64	61.80	each	11.1%

DENTISTRY

Dentistry should be billed by time to include the following items:

Hospitalization
Anaesthetic induction
Anaesthetic maintenance
Pain medication
Dental time calculated in 10 minute units
Special instrument (use if appropriate)
Suture materials
Assistant time (if required for surgery) calculated in 10 minute units
Intravenous fluids if appropriate
X - rays
Medication in hospital
Medications dispensed
Lab work if appropriate

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
						Prophylactic Services				
	10	10	1600	2600	5700	dental procedures - time used for extractions, etc.	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
61	10	30	1602	2602	5700	routine dental exam / prophylaxis / polish	65.00	72.50	each	11.5%
61	10	45	1603	2603	5700	extensive dental exam / prophylaxis / polish	77.14	86.00	each	11.5%
25		2	1604	2604	5700	fluoride gel application	5.93	6.60	each	11.2%
9		10	1605	2605	5700	fluoride varnish	37.76	42.10	each	11.5%
						Dental Radiology				
10	5	10	1608	2608	5700	dental x-ray	22.48	25.10	each	11.7%
	5	5	1609	2609	5700	dental x-ray (additional)	17.98	20.00	each	11.2%
						Dental Surgery				
9	10		1630	2630	5700	root planing	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
5	10	10	1631	2631	5700	soft tissue dental surgery (eg. gingival flap)	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
						Extractions				
	10	10	1600	2600	5700	extractions per 10 minutes	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
						Dental Nerve Blocks				
	5		1650	2650	5700	dental nerve block	29.91	34.00	per site	13.7%
		10	1592	2592	5700	surgical pack fee - standard - 1 gown	38.29	42.50	each	11.0%

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Professional procedures do include equipment or disposables

Note: for procedures not listed, fees can be calculated by using 10 minute units

Hospital Unit or
Surgical Unit
Plus equipment or disposables

Hospital Unit is applicable for time spent by doctor or technician performing non-surgical care: ear cleaning, wound cleaning / shaving in hospital or exam room.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
		10	1800	2800	5400	hospital unit per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
	10		1590	2590	5501	surgical fee per 10 minutes	62.00	68.80	10 minutes	11.0%
21	10	15	1700	2700	5501	abscess - Penrose drain / flush / suture	55.16	60.10	each	9.0%
	10	10	1701	2701	5400	abdominal fluid drainage	49.31	53.80	each	9.1%
	10	10	1702	2702	5400	abdominocentesis	35.28	38.50	each	9.1%
	10	10	1703	2703	5400	anal glands expressed	22.72	24.80	each	9.2%
14	15	10	1704	2704	5400	anal glands expressed with infusion	49.37	53.80	each	9.0%
	10	10	1705	2705	5400	arthrocentesis (joint tap) - add pack fee (code 1592)	70.43	78.20	10 minutes	11.0%
	15	15	1706	2706	5400	artificial insemination - first (includes semen collection)	104.10	113.50	each	9.0%
			1707	2707	5400	artificial insemination - additional	104.10	113.50	each	9.0%
4	30		1709	2709	5400	autopsy - histology extra	92.28	100.60	each	9.0%
	10		1710	2710	5400	autopsy (referral)	224.40	244.70	each	9.0%
						Note: Autopsy referral includes: lab fees, professional time for submission, interpretation and consultation (20 minutes)				
45	5	5	1711	2711	5400	bandaging (small)	23.21	25.30	each	9.0%
		15	1715	2151	5400	blood pressure (during examination)	40.63	44.30	each	9.0%
	10		1717	2717	5400	cast removal	44.70	48.70	each	9.0%
	10	10	1718	2718	5400	catheterization - urinary (female)	40.20	43.80	each	9.0%
16	10	10		2719	5400	catheterization - urinary (flush bladder / F.U.S.)	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
7	5	5	1720	2720	5400	catheterization - urinary (male)	36.51	39.80	each	9.0%
	20		1721	2721	5400	cerebrospinal fluid tap	87.98	95.90	each	9.0%
	10	10	1722	2722	5400	clean wound / sore	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
32	5	5	1727	2727	5400	cystocentesis	25.00	27.30	each	9.2%
228	2	3	1730	2730	5400	deworm (oral - plus medication)	8.31	9.10	each	9.5%
	3	5	1732	2732	5400	dispensing fee (per prescription)	12.00	13.10	each	9.2%

Add cost of medications plus markup.
Markup on medications is left to the discretion of the individual veterinarian.

43	10	10	1733	2733	5400	ear flush / medicate	42.91	46.80	each	9.1%
27	15	15	1734	2734	5400	ear pluck / flush / medicate	52.88	57.70	each	9.1%
	5	5	1735	2735	5400	microchip implant (includes implant)	37.37	40.70	each	8.9%
		5	1736	2736	5400	enema	28.94	31.50	each	8.9%
			1737	2737	5050	ear clean (during examination)	16.19	26.30	each	
	5	5	1738	2738	5400	fine needle aspirate (does not include lab)	34.17	37.30	each	9.2%
1	30	20	1751	2751	5400	lavage (gastric or other)	80.34	87.60	each	9.0%
65		20	1752	2752	5400	medicated bath	50.91	55.50	each	9.0%
			1754	2754	5400	oxygen (add intensive care fee)	9.85	10.70	hour	8.6%
			1755	2755	5400	patient transportation	15.39	25.00	each	
		10	1756	2756	5400	pedicure	16.99	18.50	each	8.9%

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (continued)

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Hospital Unit or
Surgical Unit
Plus equipment or disposables

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PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
	10		1758	2758	5400	prostate wash	47.77	52.10	each	9.1%
11	10	10	1762	2762	5400	quill removal	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%
4	15		1763	2763	5400	replace splint	40.08	43.70	each	9.0%
	5	5	1766	2766	5400	stomach tube	34.97	38.10	each	9.0%
28	5	5	1767	2767	5400	tattooing (1st)	33.43	36.40	each	8.9%
	5	5	1768	2768	5400	tattooing (additional)	20.38	22.20	each	8.9%
	10	10	1772	2772	5400	thoracic air / fluid drainage (does not include disposables)	44.39	48.40	each	9.0%
			1774	2774	5400	transtracheal wash	62.55	68.20	each	9.0%
			1776	2776	5400	warm water thermal pad / day	8.13	8.90	day	9.5%
						Medication Administration				
						Outpatient				
	2	2	1780	2780	5400	injection - outpatient (all injections)	20.38	22.20	each	8.9%
						Injections				
584	2	2	1785	2785	5400	injection - intramuscular / subcutaneous (first)	13.91	15.20	each	9.2%
	2		1786	2786	5400	injection - IM / SC (additional)	6.34	6.90	each	8.8%
117	4	4	1787	2787	5400	injection - intravenous	18.84	20.50	each	8.8%
		2	1788	2788	5400	injection - intravenous (into IV line)	6.34	6.90	each	8.8%
116		5	1789	2789	5400	oral medication	8.31	9.10	day	9.5%
			1781	2781	5400	daily teatment (multiple injections)	27.64	44.90	day	

Costly medications should be billed for in addition to the above injection fees.

						Euthanasia / Cremation				
101		5	1790	2790	5400	cremation (up to 7.5 kg)	9.86	11.20	each	13.6%
1		5	1791	2791	5400	cremation (7.5 - 22 kg)	28.24	32.00	each	13.3%
0		5	1792		5400	cremation (23 - 44 kg)	63.57	72.00	each	13.3%
0		5	1793		5400	cremation (> 44 kg)	75.30	85.30	each	13.3%
			1794	2794	5400	ashes returned (does not include cremation)	76.77	86.90	each	13.2%
	20	10	1795	2795	5400	euthanasia (elective)	60.00	67.90	each	13.2%
152	10	5	1796	2796	5400	euthanasia (with previous treatment)	48.18	54.60	each	13.3%

BOARDING AND HOSPITALIZATION FOR NON-ELECTIVE PROCEDURES

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
205		30		2801	5400	boarding - cage - cat	28.07	32.30	day / night	15.1%
205		30	1802		5400	boarding - cage - dog	32.27	37.20	day / night	15.3%
205		30	1803	2803	5400	boarding - run	37.05	42.70	day / night	15.3%

Hospitalization includes boarding, admission and discharge plus monitoring by a professional - technician or veterinarian. Procedures performed during hospitalization would be charged in addition to hospitalization fees.

205	15	15	1805	2805	5400	hospitalization - 1/2 day (boarding + professional care)	70.00	76.70	day	9.6%
409	15	15	1806	2806	5400	hospitalization - 24 hours (boarding + professional care)	102.39	112.20	24 hours	9.6%
	5	5	1809	2809	5400	isolation [in addition to the boarding fee]	20.80	22.80	each	9.6%
			1816	2816	5400	extensive care surcharge (1/2 day)	61.70	67.60	1/2 day	9.6%
			1815	2815	5400	extensive care surcharge (1 day)	122.61	134.40	day	9.6%
						i.e. Parvo - case [replaces the professional care fee]				

HOW TO CHARGE HOSPITALIZATION*

A cat admitted in the morning and discharged that evening would be charged:

Code 2805 - hospitalization 1/2 day	70.00	76.70	9.6%

If this cat was discharged the next morning you would charge:

Code 2806 - hospitalization - 24 hrs*	102.39	112.20	9.6%

*(includes time spent on the morning exam)

		10	1800	2800	5400	hospital unit per 10 minutes	50.00	54.80	10 minutes	9.6%

In addition to boarding and the appropriate professional fee, there may be chargeable time for unusual care for which there is no specific code. Such care may include flushing abscesses, clipping hot spots, removing porcupine quills, etc. This service may be performed by a technician. The hospital unit fee provides a mechanism of billing for such procedures based on a ten minute unit of time.

PPY	V Time	T Time	Canine	Feline	Account		OLD FEE	NEW FEE		Change
						FLUID THERAPY				
						IV Set Up and Maintenance				
58		20	1859	2859	5400	Base Fee - includes I.V. catheterization (cephalic) drip set bag of fluids I.V. (daily maintenance fee - first day)	101.95	118.90	base fee	16.6%
						Add On Procedures				
28	5	5	1854	2854	5400	butterfly catheter	31.42	36.60	add on	16.5%
3	10	10	1862	2862	5400	I.V. catheterization (jugular)	34.51	40.30	add on	16.8%
13		10	1860	2860	5400	I.V. catheterization (replace)	35.05	40.90	add on	16.7%
						Note: Catheterization includes the cost of the catheter.				
						Administration Set				
10		5	1870	2870	5400	Buretrol administration set	48.41	56.50	add on	16.7%
			1872	2872	5400	extension set	6.90	8.10	add on	17.3%
			1873	2873	5400	I.V. infusion pump drip set	22.66	26.40	add on	16.5%
			1874	2874	5400	use of fluid pump or constant rate infusuion pump	37.70	44.00	add on	16.7%
						Fluids				
			1880	2880	5400	bag of fluids	22.57	26.30	add on	16.5%
49		10	1881	2881	5400	subcutaneous fluids	39.82	46.40	add on	16.5%
						Maintenance				
		10	1891	2891	5400	I.V. (daily maintenance fee - additional days)	46.11	53.80	add on	16.7%
						Blood Transfusion				
4	30	30	1895	2895	5400	blood transfusion (does not include blood products)	376.21	438.80	each	16.6%
						Note: Fees may be itemized or used as a one line fee.				
						IV Fluids During Anaesthetic				
						Fluid therapy (without daily maintenance fee) for use during surgical procedures.				
			1859	2859	5400	Base Fee - includes I.V. catheterization (cephalic) drip set bag of fluids	46.11	53.80	base fee	16.7%